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Dear Mr. Villegas and Mr. Benjamin:

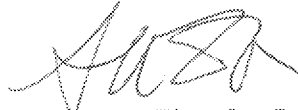
I am following up on discussions among our agencies about the status of the contingency measures for the Ventura 1-hour ozone plan and the Ventura plan for attaining the 1997 8-hour ozone standard. While both submittals were required under Clean Air Act provisions for nonattainment areas, for the following reasons the submittals are not currently needed and they may now be withdrawn:

- **Ventura 1-hour ozone plan contingency measures** (submitted November 15, 1994, found complete April 18, 1995). The EPA approved Ventura's plan for the 1-hour ozone standard, except for the contingency measures, on January 8, 1997 (62 FR 1150). As part of our May 27, 2009 determination that the area attained by the attainment date, we found that the requirements of section 172(c)(9) (contingency measures) for the 1-hour standard do not apply to the area (74 FR 25153, codified at 40 CFR 52.282(a)). Therefore, contingency measures for the 1-hour standard are no longer needed and withdrawal of the contingency measures in this plan submission would have no adverse consequences.
- **Ventura 1997 ozone plan** (submitted June 27, 2008, found complete on October 2, 2008). The EPA's revocation of the 1997 8-hour ozone standards eliminated the requirement for California to submit an emissions inventory and an emissions statement rule for these NAAQS in Ventura County. In addition, our December 3, 2012 clean data determination for Ventura County suspended the remaining anti-backsliding requirements for these NAAQS in the area for so long as the area continues to meet the NAAQS (77 FR 71551). Under these circumstances, the "Final 2007 Ventura County Air Quality Management Plan" (adopted May 13, 2008), which California submitted to satisfy Clean Air Act attainment planning requirements for the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS in Ventura County, is not a required submittal and withdrawal would have no adverse consequences.

The "Final 2007 Ventura County Air Quality Management Plan" includes emissions inventories, a modeled attainment demonstration, a reasonably available control measures demonstration, a reasonable further progress demonstration, and contingency measures. Under 40 CFR 51.918, so long as the area continues to attain the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS, California is not required to submit these plan elements for these NAAQS.

Please call me at (415) 947-4146 or Ginger Vagenas at (415) 972-3964 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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